

## QUAY MAKES A WILD DASH FOR SHELTER.

The Senator Admits He Is Going to Ohio to See McKinley.

Frankly Says the Purpose of His Visit to Canton Is to Talk Politics.

Denies That There Has Been a Rupture with Platt, or That He Belongs to a Combine.

MANY EXPLANATIONS ARE OFFERED.

The Beaver Statesman Concedes McKinley Four Votes at Least in the Pennsylvania Delegation, Which Surprises Politicians.

By Julius Chambers.  
Washington, May 19.—At Canosa the Emperor Henry IV. of Germany submitted to penance imposed by his enemy, Pope Gregory VII., and was excommunicated for several days to the indecomprehensible of Winter till the Pope admitted him and absolved him.—Harper's Book of Facts.

Senator Matthew Stanley Quay, candidate for the Presidency, and companion with Boss Platt, Manley and Clarkson, is going to Canton. The fact that in this instance the scene of the humiliation is not in Modena, but in Ohio, does not change the serious character of the pilgrimage. Mr. Quay is going to Canton to kneel at the feet of McKinley.

This is the end of the Quay boom, that never had any aspect half so serious as its humiliating collapse. The portentous feature of this visit is the evidence it furnishes of a split between Quay and the other members of the combine. Quay personally denies that any rupture has occurred, but his close friends talk in the most savage manner about the propositions that were made to Quay by Platt during his recent visit here, and declare that the New York boss demanded of Quay that he should go into a scheme to attack McKinley through the medium of Wall Street and by the depression of values as a result of the inevitable nomination of the Ohio man. These overtures or dictation from Mr. Platt, Senator Quay's friends say, he ignored, declaring in effect that if he must deal in politics of that kind and suffer the humiliation of manipulating the market against a rival, he would endure or great humiliation and go to McKinley at once.

It is only just to say that the Beaver statesman does not talk in this strain by any means. I have just come from his house, where he is holding a sort of levee of explanation to his friends. "I am going to Canton just as soon as the River and Harbor and Naval Appropriations bills are disposed of," he said.

"How soon do you expect this to be?" was asked.

"Within ten days, I hope," was the reply. "I shall go first to Beaver, and then as soon thereafter as possible to Canton. Of course, if Mr. McKinley should be away I might not go any further than Beaver."

"Will you go by appointment?"

"Not as yet. No appointment exists, but I confidently expect to see and talk with him."

GOING TO TALK POLITICS.

"Several of your friends have explained this surprising move on your part, Senator, by intimating that you may have business matters at Canton that would take you there, and that this is one of your little jokes. Am I to understand that you say you are going to Canton to see McKinley, and that you say so without any mental reservation or concealed humor?"

"You certainly are. I am going to see McKinley to talk politics."

"What kind of politics?"

"Principally about the financial questions that most interest the country."

"Surely you are not going to Canton to find out whether Mr. Kinley is a bi-metallicist or not?"

"No-o-o, hardly that," replied the Senator with hesitation. "But we are going to talk finance."

"Are you fearful that he is free to yield to the demands of the silver men in the West?" was asked.

"Most certainly not; for I believe that is something that McKinley will never do. I do not know how he stands on the money question, however, as we understand it in the East, and I am curious, as a citizen and voter of the United States, to hear his position from his own lips."

"Does this mean that there has been any disagreement with ex-Senator Platt?"

"Not at all. There is no ill feeling between us. I am not and never have been a member of any combine, as the 'boodle alderman' said, and in going to see McKinley I am acting as a staunch Republican. My views regarding Mr. McKinley have not materially altered either. I give him credit for all that he had to do with the tariff bill, and so on. And I know just exactly what his part in that measure was. What my friends in Pennsylvania may think of this act of mine, I don't know, but I have generally been able to satisfy everybody that I cared anything about as to the wisdom of my course. This is all that I really care to say on the subject. No, I do not care to say that I positively expect to see McKinley nominated at St. Louis, though it certainly looks that way."

"How many votes has McKinley in the Pennsylvania delegation, Senator?"

"He certainly has four," was the prompt reply.

The above announcement from Senator Quay, which was circulated as a joke last night and was current in every newspaper office in Washington as a joke, because Quay could not be found and the rumor verified, has created a profound impression to-day, since the Pennsylvania Senator has admitted its truth.

MANY EXPLANATIONS OFFERED.

All sorts of explanations are offered. A man very close to Senator Quay declares that the statement by Stephen Bowles, of Erie, Pa., that a thorough understanding between McKinley and Quay has existed for some time and that Quay would withdraw at the proper time, in favor of the Ohio man, says, that he called upon the Senator this afternoon, who, after carefully reading the article containing this assertion, said emphatically:

"My name will go before the St. Louis Convention. I am not a candidate to defeat Major McKinley, but because I want



EVEN HOP QUAY, TOO, BOWS TO THE DUMB DEITY.

## IF MCKINLEY WINS, GOOD-BY TO PLATT.

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The Democrats. Platt cannot support the Republican nominee unless he retracts them. They are absolutely unfounded and unjust.

The "Easy Boss" Defied.

"I did not, and do not, intend that Mr. Platt shall pose as the absolute head of a delegation and say that he can and will deliver it unbroken to any candidate he may select. He cannot do it. He cannot deliver me. He cannot deliver the delegation. I want that made clear. I made that statement on last Friday because I thought it was time for me to rise up and let this man know that he could not deliver what he was promising, and that he has not a solid delegation back of him when he starts an infamous attack on an able and splendid Republican."

"There is no solid delegation back of Mr. Platt, and there will not be. There may have been, but that time has passed. He cannot deliver it. Half the delegates from this State will support Major McKinley at St. Louis. The efforts to prevent it will not avail."

"The break has come, to all intents and purposes. One-half of the delegation realizes now that it cannot afford to be at odds with the incoming Administration. All that may be done cannot whip them back."

A secret session of the local anti-Platt leaders, who are working for the nomination of McKinley, was held last night at the clubhouse of the McKinley League, in East Twenty-second street, for the purpose of discussing a provisional organization to assume the responsibility of the Presidential campaign in this State. Among those present were Cornelius N. Bliss, General Anson G. McCook, John E. Milholland and Paul D. Cravath.

The conference continued until midnight. It was learned that all present favored the organization of a committee. The last time that such a committee was formed was in the campaign of 1884, when Cleveland carried the State against Blaine.

Mr. Platt and Chairman Hackett declined to discuss the opposition to them last night further than to ridicule it.

Will Morton Pounce Again?

Mr. Platt fully appreciates how dangerous the situation is. He realizes that the anti-Platt sentiment in the State took the form of enthusiasm for McKinley. His scheme is to stifle opposition as he did two years ago, by running Morton for Governor, but even Governor Morton, esteemed as he is generally by Republicans, will not stop the anti-Platt movement.

J. Sloan Fassett is said to be reconciled to Platt, but Mr. Fassett denies a "reconciliation," although he admits a "modus vivendi." Mr. Fassett has not forgotten that he served Mr. Platt for years, was nominated for Governor when there was no chance of success and saw the nomination

secured the nomination at St. Louis on the first ballot. One thing is assured, however, and that is, whoever "draws the prize" will receive the full Republican vote. If local leaders are preparing to unite in a revolt against Platt they are keeping very quiet about it.

## LOSING STRENGTH IN ORANGE.

Newburg, May 19.—There seems to be an entire unwillingness among leaders to discuss the Platt situation, although it is generally conceded that he is losing strength in the county. As to Quay going over to McKinley, the expression used in nearly every instance has been that "if he doesn't get out of the way he'll be knocked off the track." In every case the statement has been made that there is no anti-Platt feeling in the district so long as he proves true to Odell, but if he says the word there will be a general drop.

## SARATOGA COUNTY IN REVOLT.

Saratoga, May 19.—The consensus of opinion among Republicans of Saratoga and vicinity is that Plattism must be relegated to the rear, and while many of them politically dare not breathe their thoughts about a revolt they are forced to admit that the revolt is finding many adherents in this section. Saratoga has felt a deep regard for Morton for many years and would be pleased to see him receive the St. Louis nomination, provided he were divorced from "Boss" Platt and his methods. Aside from Saratoga's local sentiment in regard to Morton, the local leaders, some of whom have worn the Platt collar, are ready to concede that the masses of Republicans in this county favor McKinley as the proper representative of the principle of protection. It is generally believed that Platt has outlived his political usefulness and is rapidly becoming a has-been.

## ERIE RAISES ITS VOICE.

Buffalo, May 19.—Of the revolt against Platt, George E. Matthews, the Boss's all-year-round enemy, said to-night: "It is as logical as rain. A boss may live for a while, by a skilful manipulation, but when he loses his mind and puts himself in the way of a great popular movement, he's going to be shunted into the ditch every time."

## PLATTISM DOOMED IN GENESEE.

Batavia, May 19.—It is believed by the Republican leaders in Genesee County that the plain talk of Warner Miller, followed by the desertion of Senator Quay, means that the New York delegates to St. Louis now supposed to be supporters of the Governor and Mr. Platt can no longer be held together. "It seems to me," said a party leader, "that the days of Plattism are numbered. Failing in his plan to control the State's St. Louis delegation, Mr. Platt will lose his phenomenal power in the State, and a new leader or new leaders will be recognized after the next State convention."

## YATES STILL WEARS THE COLLAR.

Penn Yan, May 19.—Republican leaders in this county are in harmony with the Congressmen of this district, Seneca E. Payne, and Senator John R. Bates, who are well known Platt men, but they believe McKinley will be nominated for President, and that Warner Miller reformers are coming to the front. Not one of them will say he will follow Platt outside the best interests of the State. Miller is hopeful of returning to the inside they will look to him for the political crumbs that may fall from McKinley's table.

## CATTARAUGUS AGAINST PLATT.

Salamanca, May 19.—Ninety per cent of the Republicans of Cattaraugus County are enthusiastic for McKinley and Platt's opposition to him, and particularly his recent expressions are condemned in the strongest terms. There has been some feeling against Platt in this section heretofore, but his present attitude has greatly intensified it. Even those who have heretofore been friendly to Platt unhesitatingly declare that he is making the mistake of his political life in carrying his opposition to such an extent. The McKinley uprising here amounts to a political revolution, and leaders who oppose it, whoever they may be, will be swept away by the tide.

## MONROE EXPRESSES ITS DISGUST.

Rochester, May 19.—The Platt supporters in the Republican ranks here are few and far between. This is a strong machine town owing to the manipulations of State Superintendent of Public Works Aldridge, but Republicans who have been admirers and supporters of Platt are disgusted with his attacks on McKinley, who is the favorite candidate here by long odds. Mr. Aldridge himself absolutely with the rank and file. His ravings against McKinley, they say, only injure himself, while admiration for McKinley is constantly gaining. The report that Quay has joined the McKinley ranks, they state, only shows the absurdness of Senator Quay's position. Mr. Platt, they declare, has utterly lost his head.

## DELAWARE THINKS DIFFERENTLY.

Delhi, May 19.—Republican leaders here do not look upon the present growing McKinley sentiment in New York as in opposition to Senator Platt, but, on the contrary, they regard it as a popular uprising resulting from the depressed condition of all industrial interests and a feeling that McKinley is the natural leader of the nation, and that the demands Republican legislation on the tariff question. They have not heard of any serious defection among the delegates who will represent New York in the National Convention, and believe that Mr. Platt and his colleagues will harmoniously work and vote for Governor Morton as their only candidate for President.

## ROCKLAND KNOWS OF NO REVOLT.

Nyack, May 19.—The announcement that Senator Quay had deserted the Platt combination caused considerable surprise in this county. Judge Tompkins said he was surprised to hear of Senator Quay's defection. "But," said he, "I know of no reason thus far why the delegates from this district, as well as the whole State, should not support Governor Morton's candidacy. My second choice, however, and I believe the second choice of a majority of the delegates in this State, is Governor McKinley. I do not think the so-called revolt against Mr. Platt amounts to anything, and it will not affect either Mr. Platt or the party in the State in the coming election." When Senator Lexow learned of the desertion of Senator Quay he said he doubted the truth of the statement, but said he was Governor Morton's last and all the time, and that he had no second choice. "As far as any alleged revolt against Senator Platt is concerned," he said, "I am not possessed of any recent information on the subject that indicates any change from past conditions."

## ONONDAGA WILL NOT ADMIT IT.

Syracuse, May 19.—None of the machine men will admit that a revolt is taking place in this county. Ex-Senator Hackett said to-night: "I know nothing about a revolt in the Republican party against Platt, and believe all such talk emanates from Lieutenant-Governor Saxton and Warner Miller. So far as I know the organization is for Governor Morton for President. I do not know anything except what I have read in the papers that Quay is coming out for McKinley."

## ALL ANTI-PLATT IN JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Watertown, May 19.—The news of the revolt against Platt and that Quay has deserted him, was hailed with delight in the Republican leaders in Jefferson County. It is a movement that Republicans here have

long hoped would come. The only followers Platt has left in the county are Isaac L. Hunt and Colonel A. D. Shaw, who were sent out West in the interests of the Morton boom. This is one of the strong anti-Platt counties, and the McKinley sentiment is 25 to 1. In the Congressional district the county is linked with Oswego and Lewis, which are Platt counties. However, an anti-Platt delegate to St. Louis has been elected here. When interviewed on the revolt, B. B. Taggart, Elton B. Brown, George A. Bagley and other Republican leaders said it would end Platt's reign as a boss and was his political death.

## CHAUTAUQUA SPEAKS ITS MIND.

Jamestown, May 19.—Strong opposition is manifested here against the State machine. Jerome B. Fisher, the leading candidate for County Judge of Chautauqua County, said: "The sentiment in this district is maintaining for McKinley, consequently the position of the State machine is creating intense hostility. The recent attack of Senator Platt is believed by his friends to be a great mistake and has strengthened, if possible, the supporters to McKinley. I look for a breaking up of the Pennsylvania delegation. I know personally some delegates in that State who will vote for McKinley on the first opportunity."

Ben S. Dean, member of the late Constitutional Convention, says: "I think Platt has entirely over-estimated his importance in a fight of this character and he has not appreciated the tenacity of the sentiment in behalf of protection, of which McKinley is the ideal representative. Mr. Platt has disregarded the fact that the Republican party is a party of bi-metalism and is not in favor of the British gold standard. I have anticipated for some time that Quay would get into the band wagon, as he is naturally more at home there than he was with Clarkson and Platt."

Edward R. Booter: "Mr. Platt has made a mistake in affronting the dominant sentiment of the Republicans of this State in an effort to carry out his personal conception of politics."

## DEMOCRATS OUT FOR GOLD.

New Hampshire Convention Not Expected to Instruct Delegates.

Concord, N. H., May 18.—The Democratic State Convention for the election of delegates-at-large to Chicago to-morrow will be characterized by harmony and enthusiasm. The party is united in its demands for honest money, and the platform will declare unequivocally for the maintenance of the gold standard. In all probability the delegation will receive no instructions, though the sentiment of delegates to-night is overwhelmingly in favor of William E. Russell for President.

The venerable Democratic war horse of the State, Harry Bingham, of Littleton, will preside over the convention. The delegates will be Frank Jones, of Portsmouth; A. W. Sulloway, of Franklin; Irving W. Drew, of Lancaster, and other Colonel Charles A. Sinclair, of Portsmouth, or Gordon Woodbury, of Manchester. The Second District convention, which also meets to-morrow, will elect as delegates Jeremiah J. Doyle, of Nashua, and either S. B. Page, of Haverhill, or Amos N. Blandin, of Bath.

## BI-METALLISM NOT FEASIBLE.

A Wyoming Politician Refuses to Be a Delegate on Such a Platform.

Cheyenne, Wyo., May 19.—State Committee Chairman Corbitt declines to act as a delegate in Thursday's State convention under resolutions adopted by his county, demanding free coinage of gold and silver as redemption money at a 16 to 1 ratio.

In a published letter Chairman Corbitt says between the single silver standard, which would result should such resolutions become law, and the existing gold standard there should be no hesitation in making a choice. He declares for the civilized and modern money standard as against the standard of uncivilized and unprogressive countries. He says it is folly to believe the Government can succeed in the attempt at this time to maintain the equal use of the two metals, when the proposed ratio is more widely separated from the actual ratio than ever before, and warns the Wyoming Democracy against committing itself to the undemocratic heresies of the resolution.

## IOWA DEMOCRATS GATHERING.

To-day's Convention Will Be Dominated by the Silver Element.

Dubuque, Iowa, May 19.—To-morrow's State Democratic Convention will be the largest ever held in this State. A large number of delegates arrived this morning. The silver element will dominate the convention, by nearly two to one, and it is expected to adopt a "platform" will be adopted. Ex-Governor Boies, who will head the delegation to Chicago, will be indorsed for President.

Many prominent gold Democrats from different parts of the State have been turned down by the silver standard, and here as lookers on. They are endeavoring to harmonize the disturbing elements so as to present a bolt, and at this hour they are hopeful of succeeding.

National Committeeman Richardson is on the ground trying to prevent an outbreak. He may succeed in doing this, but will likely be displaced on the National Committee by Walsh, the Secretary of the State Central Committee and leader of the silver element.

## Democrats for Free Silver.

Columbus, Ohio, May 19.—The Democratic convention of the Seventh Congressional District, held at Springfield to-day, adopted, without a dissenting vote, a resolution instructing the delegates sent to Chicago representing the district to vote for free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, without regard to the action of any other nation.

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